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Date: 24 March 48

SUBJECT: Ang Mga Maharlika Unit
FROM : Unit Branch

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Lt Col Wallace M. Hanes:

Attached communication self-explanatory.

Capt E. R. Curtis
Chief, Unit Branch

Concur: Capt S. V. Lesneski
Chief, Roster Branch

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HEADQUARTERS
PHILIPPINES-RYUKYUS COMMAND
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

GSCPI 201- APO 707

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Dear _____

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter, dated _____, in which you request _____
_____.

Individuals requesting recognition as guerrilla casualties are required to submit documentary evidence in so far as possible to substantiate each individual claim, so that proper consideration may be given by this headquarters.

Enclosed herewith is Guerrilla Affairs Division Form No. 2 in triplicate for accomplishment in accordance with attached instruction sheet and letter entitled, "Information Concerning Guerrilla Casualties."

It is suggested that your application be presented with this letter within sixty (60) days from the above date, either in person to the Guerrilla Affairs Division, G-3, this headquarters, located in Building No. T-711, Philippine University Area, Quezon City, or mailed to the Commanding General, PHILRYCOM, Attention: Guerrilla Affairs Division, APO 707, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, California.

Sincerely,

3 Incls:
1. Guerrilla Affairs Division Form #2, in triplicate
2. Instructions for Form #2
3. Information Concerning Guerrilla Casualties.

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PHILIPPINES-RYUKYUS COMMAND

CHECK SHEET

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FILE NO. SUBJECT: Ferdinand E. Marcos

24 March 48

(1) FROM: Capt E. R. Curtis TO: Lt Col W. M. Hanes

DISCUSSION:

1. On 25 July 1947 a check note concerning Ferdinand E. Marcos was written in response to a cablegram received remonstrating over the non-favorable decision rendered regarding the recognition of the supplementary roster of the Ang Mga Maharlika unit. At this time it was determined that Marcos was recognized as a Major inasmuch as his name appeared as the commanding officer of the Ang Mga Maharlika (The Freemen) Intelligence section. This designation of the unit as it appears in the roster is fabricatious inasmuch as the letter of recognition for the unit designates it as "Capt Alles Intelligence Unit," further the memorandum dated 15 August 1945, ordering the unit to the 3rd Repl Bn for processing designates the unit as the "Alles Intelligence Unit (Ang Mga Maharlica)."

2. The Alles Intelligence Unit that Marcos usurped command over was organized in August 1942 by Cipriano S. Alles. Alles was captured in 1943 and the unit disbanded. When Alles was released from prison he alleges to have joined the Ang Mga Maharlica as an intelligence officer. He operated independently and was recognized as an independent unit until Marcos took the liberty of usurping the command and redesignating the unit to suit his own personel motives. The Alles Intelligence Unit is carried as an independent organization even though it claims affiliation with the Ang Mga Maharlika unit to enhance its preposterous claim for revision of dates.

3. The earliest date of any substantiating evidence on the activities of Marcos is as follows:

a. Acknowledgment of intelligence received by Col Fertig on 16 December 1943. This is a photostatic copy and cannot be verified. The earliest intelligence report submitted as evidence is dated 15 June 44.

b. On 26 July 44 a unit report claimed 8,300 members in the Ang Mga Maharlica in North Luzon, Baguio, Zambales and Manila. A request was also made for ₱100,000.00 Philippine currency and ₱500,000.00 Japanese war notes be sent his unit for maintenance. This is entirely theoretical as no such unit ever existed.

c. On 9 October 1944 Capt Ray C. Hunt Jr put out an order of arrest for Marcos as being an illegal organizer in Pangasinan.

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d. In December 1944 Marcos was arrested by Hunt for illegally collecting money to construct an air field near Baguio for the purpose of rescuing General Roxas. Had General Roxas not appealed to Maj Lapham for the release of Marcos, Capt Hunt would have held him prisoner until the liberation.

e. By his own admission Marcos joined the 14th Infantry, USAFIP, NL on 12 December 1944. On 1 May 1945 Marcos asked for a release from the USAFIP, NL to join his organization. This was denied by Col Volckmann 6 May. (Tab A).

f. The liberation activities of the Ang Mga Maharlika are of very little value as is shown on recommendations against the unit by the 5th Cav (Tab B).

g. The Ilocos Norte Regiment under the command of Valdez was not contacted by Marcos until November 1944. Marcos claims that this unit is a part of his organization. The facts are that the Ilocos Norte Regiment became a part of the 15th Infantry USAFIP, NL.

4. In the reconstruction of the rosters of the Alles Intelligence Unit and the Maharlica Unit, East Pangasinan ("Maharlica Unit East Pangasinan Unit" redesignated "Ang Mga Maharlika (The Freemen) Co C," by Marcos for his own personal benefit), Ferdinand Marcos was deleted. This action is substantiated for the following reasons:

a. The Alles Intelligence Unit was recognized as such as an independent unit under Cipriano Alles for attachment.

b. Marcos, failing to gain recognition in the Ang Mga Maharlika Unit, redesignated the Alles Intelligence unit to be the Ang Mga Maharlica (The Freemen) Intelligence section and listed his name as the commanding officer. The recognition of this unit specifically did not afford recognition to Marcos.

c. The recognition of the Maharlica Unit, East Pangasinan, under the command of Donato C. Ancheta, redesignated Ang Mga Maharlica (The Freemen) Co C, by Marcos specifically did not include him for recognition.

d. Marcos has listed himself in two separate rosters for recognition that was denied both in the field by this headquarters on 7 June 1947 (Tab B).

e. During the liberation period Marcos was serving with the 14th Infantry USAFIP, NL, i.e., December 1944 to May 1945 and is recognized as a major in the roster of the 14th Infantry USAFIP, NL as of 12 December 1944 to his date of discharge.



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CONCLUSION:

It is concluded that:

1. The Ang Mga Maharlica Unit under the alleged command of Ferdinand Marcos is fraudulent.

2. The insertion of his name on a roster other than the USAFIP, NL roster was a malicious criminal act.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That no further consideration be given the Ang Mga Maharlika Unit for revision or recognition as per the request of Marcos dated 2 December 1947.

2. That no further consideration be given the Alles Intelligence Unit as per request of Alles dated 7 February 1948.

ELBERT R. CURTIS
Capt FA



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FROM: Maj Ferdinand E Marcos

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Lt Col Wallace M Hanes:

1. Basic, ltr fr Major Ferdinand E Marcos to CG, PHILRYCOM, dtd 2 Dec 47, requesting reconsideration of the unfavorable decision rendered by this headquarters on 7 June 1947 on the request for recognition of the Ang Mga Maharlika and forwarding three bound books of evidence in support of his claim.

2. There are two alleged attachment papers in the records of the unit, one listing 11 men attached to the 544th FA Bn (a true copy), the other listing 12 men attached to the 5th Cavalry. These attachment papers do not warrant recognition of the members listed thereon for the following reasons:

a. The attachment paper to the 544th FA Bn is a true copy, no additional supporting evidence is presented.

b. On 31 May '45, the 5th Cavalry recommended that the Ang Mga Maharlika unit with a strength of 6 officers and 18 EM be not favorably considered for recognition due to limited value of their duties. On 14 June 45, the 6th Army confirmed this recommendation to AFPAC and stated that the 5th Cavalry had been directed to release the guerrillas without delay.

George E Kemper
1st Lt George E Kemper

Concur: Capt E R Curtis
Chief, Unit Branch

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